

## High School Principal's Board Report 2/9/15

1. The APL training in January was huge success! We started seeing changes in classrooms immediately. At the high school, we have four aspects to put in place:
  - a. Bell ringer
  - b. On the Clock
  - c. Interaction sequence
  - d. Objectives

We are focusing on reteaching and discussing the strategies during staff meetings the remainder of the term. Teachers are required to be doing all of the above in every classroom. I have modified my classroom walk thru form to address this aspects.

2. 8th grade registration is next week, followed by high school registration for grade 9-11. This will help guide our staffing for next year and give us solid numbers for the programming we offer.

3. We have new technology continuing to be in use in classroom. Please feel free to stop in a see anything at any time. Last week Mr. Pemble and his physics class began their robotics unit. One student commented to me that it was the coolest thing he had done in high school and the hands on learning was something he really enjoyed. In addition, we have also received and install the welding simulators for Mr. Kuennen. These are great tools for our beginning welders!

4. Iowa assessments are March 23-27. Homerooms will be doing goal setting with students the two weeks before the testing.

5. Mrs. Ferrie and I attended a standards based grading workshop at Grant Wood AEA two weeks ago. We see much benefit in working through the Iowa Core to align how we grade students with how they achieve the standards. We will be engaging the Iowa Core team to dig deeper into the concept of Standards Based grading.

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